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Shanghai, 18th May, 1885.

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SUMMER TIME TABLE.

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MORNING STAR**

Rides DAILY in a FERRY Boat between

Pedder's Wharf and Tsui-Tsu-Tai at the

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WEEK DAYS.

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Leaves Kowloon 7 A.M. Leaves Kowloon 7 A.M.

THE CHINA MAIL.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

PASSED: Suez CANAL.

OUTWARD BOUND.—*Beverly, Gulf of Suez, May 12; Timor, Graville, and Kilding, May 19; Antwerp, Brescashire, Perito, Gleno, River Indi, May 29; Hongkow, Petho, June 2; Tidana, June 6.*

HOMeward Bound.—*Anchors, June 8.*

The next FREIGHT MAIL, by the M. M. Co.'s steamer *Sophia*, left Singapore for Saigon and will arrive on Saturday, the 6th instant, at daylight, and may be expected here on or about Saturday, the 13th instant.

The Shiro Line steamer *Cardigan* left Singapore for this port on the 4th ultimo, and may be expected here on or about the 10th inst.

The D. D. R. steamer *Cassandra* left Singapore for this port on the 7th inst., and may be expected here on or about the 13th instant.

DOCK MOVEMENTS.—
The *Arabie* will go to Cosmopolitan Dock to-morrow.
The *Arabie* will leave Cosmopolitan Dock to-morrow.

It is rumoured in Shanghai that the steamer *Waverley*, lately seized by the French, has left the Pescadores, bound to Saigon, for a cargo of stores for the French.

A MARINE COURT will assemble at the Harbour Office to-morrow, at 10.30 a.m., to investigate certain charges of misconduct &c., proferred by the Master of the British S.S. *Welcome*, against the Chief Engineer of the said ship.

In our paragraph last night regarding the case in which a number of British sailors charged a shopkeeper, Chan Apang, with having thrown a bucketful of dirty varnish upon them, almost ruining their white clothes, we stated that the sailors received no compensation. This was not so, for although the Magistrate, Mr Mackean, considered the charge was not proven against the shopkeeper and had no power to order him to pay compensation to the tar, he advised him to do so, and the shopkeeper paid over the sum of \$5, three less than the sailors claimed.

The use of the telephone is extending in China. On the 19th May a telephone line between Tientsin and Taku was completed.

SAYS THE MERCURY.—A Treaty of Commerce will shortly be signed between Austria and Korea. The Austrian gunboat *Nauvoo* proceeds to Japan during next week, to embark Count Zaluski, the Austrian Minister; whence the *Nauvoo* will leave for Jenchuan.

Two Chinamen in New York have a lawsuit over \$82, and there are a hundred witnesses to be heard. If the New York newspapers follow the testimony in this case closely they will get some valuable light on the habits of Chinese witnesses. It would be as easy to hire two hundred Chinese witnesses whenever their services are needed as it would be to hire one hundred, and no one need have any personal knowledge of the case to swear in the most direct and positive fashion.

This veteran Tao Tzui-tang, says the N.C. D. News, is very much aggrieved at not having been summoned to Tientsin to help settle the French difficulty, and makes no secret of his opinion that he has been left out in the cold. His Excellency wrote a letter to Admiral Courbet the other day inviting him to a diplomatic interview; but we have not heard that the request was granted. The old gentleman is in fair bodily health considering his age and bulk, but is in most respects quite past work.

TAX COMBINATION of the regular China lines of ship owners has failed to prevent outside steamers obtaining freight at Hankow. The *Fa* has sailed at £1 5s per ton, and the *Fa* was loading and was nearly full on the 1st inst.; her rate was £1 5s and £1 4s and it was said the *Armenian* was also engaged full. We (*Concierge*) hear that a great part of the tax they are taking has been shipped by Russians, who had to pay £2 10 per ton to their own steamers, and it pays them to send their tea in the *Fa*'s and *Ab* to London, and thence forward to St. Petersburg.

A CORRESPONDENT writes to the N.C. D. News from Kaiping:—Railway matters look gloomy, in spite of absurd stories of Globe Hotel origin. This colossus is turning out 800 to 850 tons a day, which sells readily, and it is hoped this year to clear off all pressing liabilities and declare a dividend. The railway will pay, and is always hard work, it is very cheap, light load of 4' 8½ gauge, but answers its purpose well enough until an extension can be made.

WE (N.C. D. News) are glad to notice by the Japanese papers that a Japanese hotel has been opened at Seoul, near the Legation. If the establishment is not more uncomfortable than tea-houses generally are in Japan, this may eventually prove advantageous to foreign visitors, who, tired of Chefoo, are desirous of finding some fresh place in which to pass a few weeks during the summer. But if the proprietor wishes to attract foreign visitors, he will do well to provide something more in the way of furniture than mats.

SURVEYOR Morton has just issued some very interesting statistics concerning Chinese immigration to San Francisco between Jan. 1st and May 1, between January and May, 2,553 Chinese arrived in San Francisco. Of these, 1,083 remained, while 1,475 departed in transit. This shows that a large portion of the Chinese who arrived for other ports exceeds by 322 the number of those who have remained in that city. Of the 1,475 Chinese who departed in transit, 205 sailed for Victoria, 1,024 for Honolulu, 92 for Panama, 4 for Mexico, 9 for Havens, 141 for China. Every month this year the Custom House has recognised the certificates issued by the Chinese Consulate. The following are the numbers of those who have landed by the various certificates: By United States Consular certificates, 12; by Chinese Consular certificates, 44; by amadavis, 15; by statements verified, 17. Of the 1,083 Chinese who have landed in San Francisco, 319 are said to have had customs certificates; of

those landed, 800 were laborers, while 141 were described as "other than laborers," making the proportion of professional men and merchants to laborers as one to seven.

UNDER the heading "New Dominion," the *Shanghai Courier* prefixes the following communication:—A regular provincial administration has been set up here. A Governor resides at Wu-lu-mu-chi; and towns and district cities are established in the two Loo to the westward of the Kweu-Lun-Mts. Li-ku-tang, the Gov. Gen. of Kan-su, and the Tartar General have now, after correspondence, agreed on a treaty and rules permitting Ru-sians to trade at the various towns in the two Loo, as the majority of these places are situated on the Russo-Chinac border. International and political affairs are to be dealt with by Councils appointed by Russia to reside at Kashgar, Ili &c. To facilitate intercourse linguists are to be provided; and a school, like the Tung Wen Kwai, with rules similar to those in force at Canton and Tientsin, is to be established at Wu-lu-mu-chi. Bright and clever students are to be chosen from the towns to study English and Russian. The Taung Li Family is to be asked to provide teachers of English and Russian. Thus the various Yards in important affairs will have competent interpreters, to the mutual benefit of China and Russia.

A CORRESPONDENT writes from Tientsin, on the 1st June, to the N.C. D. News as follows:—The Franco-Chinese Treaty will probably not be signed for another two days. Sir Robert Hart's appointment as British Minister is no longer a diplomatic secret.

Li Chung-tang has sent in his formal protest against the British occupation of Port Hamilton. You will please rely upon it that the protest is formal and nothing more, and has not been made for a definite purpose.

The occupation of the islands was probably arranged with Curzon through Mr. Wilson, acting under the guidance of Sir Harry Parkes. The German officers who went some weeks ago in the two cruisers of Admiral Ting have been boasting that they hauled down the British flag there, and showed by their talk that their present masters did not approve of its being in British hands. A good story is current that last year Li Hung-chang mentioned to a foreign Minister Plenipotentiary that Great Britain should never have Port Hamilton, for she already possessed enough strongholds in Hongkong, without getting another on the coast of China!

We (*Shanghai Courier*) have been requested by Captain Kleef of the steamer *Ingeborg* to bring the following to the notice of the public. At about 3 p.m. yesterday, the steamer *Ingeborg*, bound from Nagasaki to Shanghai, with a cargo of coals, sighted a French man-of-war at anchor between Gutzaf and the Saddle Islands. She was flying four signals, two of which were entangled in the halyards and the other two could not be made out. When the *Ingeborg* got within some distance of her a blank shot was fired. Captain Kleef immediately slowed the engines and put the helm over so as to head the French man-of-war, understanding a shot to be the signal to "Heave to," but before the vessel could get round, a half from the cruiser within a few feet of the ship, going between the bridge and funnel and falling in the water within fifty yards of the steamer's side, brought the *Ingeborg* to a standstill. A French officer immediately boarded the vessel and greeted the captain in the following polite style. "My third shot would have been at your water line." Captain Kleef tried to explain to the officers how it was he did not stop, but the Frenchman did not let a single word be put in, saying that steamers ought to look out for the man-of-war. After examining the ship's papers he left. This is not the first time we have had to make a complaint of insults received from French officers.

A PLAN has been proposed in the United States by a Mr. J. R. Sylvester for preventing a heavy depreciation in the value of silver when the Coinage Act is repealed. It has, the *Manchester Guardian* says, been approved by the *American Bankers' Magazine*. It is, that silver deposited with the Treasury and against which certificates are issued shall be supported by a further amount or margin sufficient to provide for any probable fall. And it is suggested that if any loss should occur from a decline in the price of silver it should be borne either by the Government or by the owners.

Against the objection that this plan does not preserve the currency from an excessive silver drain, it is urged that no one wishes to see me, in which no one wishes to see me, as there is no danger of getting too much of it, or of the paper based thereon."

Mr. Sylvester's paper is said to show that a review of the prices of silver during the last fifty years proves that the loss likely to occur under his plan would not be very great and the *Bankers' Magazine* thinks it might be borne by the State. This expectation is further supported by the certainty that when business in America recovers from its present depression a large increase in the currency of the country will be required.

Another Murder in Hongkong. Yet another murder has been added to the list of capital crimes recently committed in the Colony. About 3 p.m. yesterday a Chinese gardener named Su Afuk, living near Wong-nei-cheng, was set upon by four men and beaten to death on the hillside behind the village. The object of the crime in this instance appears to have been revenge, or some personal vengeance for a real or imaginary injury supposed to have been done by the deceased man to a young girl, who was betrothed to one of the perpetrators of the crime or one of their friends. One of the four men implicated in the crime has been arrested by the police, the other three having, for the time at least, escaped. A report was made at the Wan-chai Police Station of the murder about 4 p.m. yesterday, by the wife of Cheung Asing, the man arrested, and the latter was arrested by Inspector Swanson while he was working in a paddy field at Wong-nei-cheng. The prisoner admitted to the Inspector that he was concerned in the affair, but it appears that the man who took the leading part in the fatal affray is still at large. This man was seen by the woman who first gave the information to the police, in the Queen's Road, later on in the evening, and she says that she appealed to Lukong on the spot to arrest the man, but that he told her to make her statement at the Wan-chai Station, and let the man escape.

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G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
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